

Before the

Federal Communications Commission

Washington DC

In the Matter of)
)
Improving Public Safety Communications)
In the 800 MHz Band) WT Docket No. 02-55
)
Consolidating the 900 MHz Industrial/Land)
Transportation and Business Pool Channels)

To: the Commission

Motion for Acceptance of Late-Filed Comments

The United Telecom Council (UTC), the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and the American Water Works Association (AWWA) (collectively, the “Critical Infrastructure” or “CI Commenters”) respectfully request that the Commission accept the filing of their comments on the *Public Notice* in the above-referenced docket one day following the due date for such comments.¹ Due to the short, ten-day preparation period between the publication of the *Public Notice* and the comment deadline – which included a federal holiday – the CI Commenters were unable to draft and finalize their comments among all interested parties in the time allotted.

¹ "Commission Seeks Comment on *Ex Parte* Presentations and Extends Certain Deadlines Regarding the 800 MHz Public Safety Interference Proceeding," FCC 04-253, released October 22, 2004 (the "PN," the "Notice").

The CI Commenters normally would have chosen to file any late-completed comments in a reply comment cycle; however, the instant *Public Notice* does not provide for replies. The associations involved hope and believe that their positions on the issues included in the *Public Notice* will be of assistance to the Commission. Therefore, we request that this late filing be accepted and included in the record of this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill M. Lyon", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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